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PRODUCTION OF FOODGRAINS
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has identified the top ten districts which were producing the highest quantum of foodgrains per acre of land during each of the last three years;

(b) if so, the details thereof indicating the foodgrain production in the said districts during the said period, year-wise and district-wise;

(c) whether the agricultural production and productivity have decline in the above district during each of the last three years; and

(d) if so, the reasons therefore?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTI LAL BHURIA)

(a): The top ten districts producing the highest quantum of foodgrains per hectare (1 hectare = 2.5 acre approximately) during the latest three years are Ludhiana, Fatehgarh, Sangrur, Moga, Mukatsar, Patiala, Ferozpur, Faridkot, Mansa and Jalandhar.

(b): The details of foodgrain production of the aforesaid districts during the latest three years i.e. 2003-04 to 2005-06 are given in the Annexure.

(c) & (d): There have been fluctuations in agricultural production and productivity, which is due to factors like weather, technology, area harvested and inputs application.